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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: J.R. Pokrzywa  
ATSUSHI MATSUMOTO ET AL. )  
: Group Art Unit: 2622  
Application No.: 09/434,404 )  
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Filed: November 5, 1999 )  
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, )  
SYSTEM AND APPARATUS, )  
AND STORAGE MEDIUM ) July 30, 2004

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows, the claims changes being reflected in the listing beginning at page 2, and the Remarks beginning at page 9.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 18	MINUS	** 25	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 5	MINUS	*** 6	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145°/\$290						\$0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0

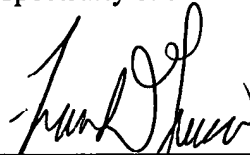
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_\_-month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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